

The Christian Caller
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 Sunday school: 9:00 AM.
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 Office hours: Mon. – Thurs. 9:00 – 2:30 PM.
 Secretary: Cheryl Rice

Our Mission Statement

To help one another grow in Christian faith through worship, witness, fellowship, and service to our community and the world.

January 05 Caller



Prayer Concerns

In the hospital:

Condolences to the families of: Doris Regan, Rose Cummings, and Jeana Culbertson

Local Concerns: Marilyn Compton, Lucine Reed,

Continuing Concerns: Nadine Timmons, Howard

Svaty, Louise Kelsey,

Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb,

Bob Compton, Evelyn De Cou, Lois McBride, Diane

Carver, Barbara Neill, Linda Shue, Evelyn Tarter,

Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman,

Helen Smith, Louise Morrison, Jo Shue, Margaret

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Imogene Walton, Wauneta Shaver

Our extended family: Carol Turner, Janice Spohn Barrows, Judy Lambert, Rita Renfro, Bill Ward, Debbie Sunthimer, Brenda Firr, Sharon Heien, Myla Farwell, Linda Schneider, Chuck Baker, Maxine Wilson, Mary Teresa Cooper, Calvin Howard, New Life CO-OP, Charles Kennedy, Raymond Reutlinger, Barbara Baddy, Betty Bell, Laura Banning, Melody Billings, JR Schwarz, Emily Hudson, Justin Voorhies, Tye Libberman, Brenda Lockhart and our uniformed men and women serving our country at home and abroad. All storm and wild fire victims.

Please call the church office (378-4118) with

information or updates related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

Serving in the Military : Griffin Voorhies- Marines

Financial Report

Sunday	General Offering
Dec. 23	\$ 1760.21
Dec. 30	\$ 2020.46



Happy Birthday!

Jan. 01 – Marilyn Pryor*

Joey Cline*

Jan. 02 – Shirley Freeman.*

Jan. 07 – Ron Boyer

Jan. 10 – Evelyn DeCou*

Jan. 14 – Mike Adams

Jan. 16 – Carl Thornton*

Helen Eisele*



Happy Anniversary!

Jan. 06 – Kris & Roger Surber
 (46 years)

Thank you

Dear Pastor & Members,
 Thank you again for the delicious Christmas Dinner. I know many people spend many hours to prepare it and it is such a blessing to so many. I have to say as my grandson said-“you have some good cooks.” Again thank you and may God bless you throughout this new year.

Jerry & Donna Blevins



Called to Serve - January

Sunday, January 06

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers
 Home Communion: Mike Jeffers
 Deacons: Sandy Besinger & Ron Black
 Deaconesses: Liz North, Reannon Hickey, Amber Riggle
 Greeter: Cleda Robinson
 Usher: Delores Kempinger AV. Nancy Burns
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Mike Jeffers

Sunday, January 13

Table Elders: Nancy Rogers & Todd Harrelson
 Home Communion: De Anna Vaughn
 Deacons: Don Vaughn & Susan Voorhies
 Deaconesses: Liz North, Reannon Hickey, Amber Riggle
 Greeter: Marilyn Compton
 Usher: Carol Bernauer AV. Merlyn Ramsey
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Mary Compton

Sunday, January 20

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory
 Home Communion: Carl Thornton
 Deacons: Jess Reed & Ron Black
 Deaconesses: Liz North, Reannon Hickey, Amber Riggle
 Greeter: Claudia Marr
 Usher: Ron Black AV. Jess Reed
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Cary Hutton

Members who have passed away

recently include: Rose Cummings, Doris Regan, and Sharon Blaker.

There will be a service scheduled January 21 for Pearl Barker, Michelle Reed's grandmother.

A Message from Pastor Shue



This is the first newsletter for 2019. I'm not sure where the year 2018 has gone. I know for the Shue family it has been another really good year. It is my hope that it was a good year for each of your family's as well. I know many in our church have had some serious health issues, but life can't be all sunshine and roses. However, as Christians we know that our faith will see us through the hard times. It is my hope to each of you that 2019 brings you uncountable blessings into your everyday lives, and that each day we are able to see all the blessings that the Creator God showers down upon us.

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I was very happy to see so many of you at the Christmas Eve Service. I would like to say a special thank you to everyone who helped with it. However, I was a little disappointed that more did not choose to take part in the service. If you were not there you missed some wonderful Christmas singing.

I believe that the turnout that we had for Christmas Dinner was nothing short of outstanding. We served about 130 dinners in Fellowship Hall and prepared almost 100 take out dinners. We also took left over food out to Candle Rock. Over twenty church members were here working both on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We were so blessed to have several members of the greater Fredonia community here helping on Christmas Day as well. The food was excellent as always. Each of you that gave a good portion of your Christmas Day I want to say thank you and God bless you. I would also like to thank each of you that fixed a dish and brought it to church. There is no doubt that the presence of God was felt by all who were in our Fellowship Hall this past Christmas Day.

I hope each of you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,
 Pastor Claude

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Community Christmas Dinner



Community Christmas Dinner was a huge success again this year. We served 128 in Fellowship Hall and 94 dinners outside of the church for a total of 222 dinners. A huge thank you to all who helped make it possible.

A Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord, as I close the door on this old year,
I ponder on the things I've done...
On the things I've said and the joys I've had...
Then I wonder, have I lost or won?

I've thought of the new friends I have made,
and the old ones staunch and true...
the path of the old year was made easier Lord,
because I have walked with You.

I think of the many times,
When my burdens were so heavy to bear,
And how my faith slipped away from me...
But somehow You were always standing there.

Now as I open the door to this New Year,
And carefully peep inside,
I wonder what it holds for me...
But I will throw open the door wide

And whatever it brings to me and mine,
I'll meet with a heart so true...
I know that, Lord whate'er it may be
You'll be there to carry me through.

~Merrel Thompson



A winter Sunday

I love a peaceful Sunday,
The quiet that's in the air,
The serene and happy feeling,
The comfortable rocking chair.

The smell of delicious coffee,
The ham and hot cakes to bake
No hurried school-day rushing,
No scampering, no lunches to make.

The papers piled high on the table,
You can read to your heart's delight
With an old soft robe and slippers on
And the sun shining warm and bright.

I love a quiet Sunday
With peacefulness in the air.
Let's count our blessings, go to church,
And say a little prayer.
~Marguerite Halker

Inspirational Quotes

By Martin Luther King Jr.

"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend."

"When you are right, you cannot be too radical; when you are wrong, you cannot be too conservative."

"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."

"Our scientific power has outrun our spiritual power. We have guided missiles and misguided men."

"I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. That is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

“Nothing in all the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity.”

“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

“In the end we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.

“I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.”

Eight Christian Quotes for the New Year

1. Don't Look Back – Look not back on yesterday so full of failure and regret. Look ahead and seek God's way all sin confessed you must forget.
~Dennis DeHann

2. A New Soul – The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul. ~G. K. Chesterton

3. A Solution – Instead of making a New Year's resolution, consider committing to a Biblical solution. ~Mary Fairchild

4. The New – To reach up for the new, you must let go of the old. What lies behind you is not nearly as important as what lies in front of you. ~Joel Osteen

5. Glory to God – Glory to God in highest heaven. Who unto man His Son hath given; While angels sing with tender mirth, A glad new year to all the earth. ~Martin Luther

6. Direct – If this is to be a Happy New Year, a year of usefulness, a year in which we shall live to make this earth better, it is because God will direct our

pathway. How important then, to feel our dependence upon Him! ~Matthew Simpson

7. Love Is A Fruit – Love is a fruit in season at all times, and within the reach of every hand. ~Mother Teresa

8. Renewal – Renewal is rooted in faith, not resolutions! They are made for New Years and forgotten on the average of thirteen days later, say the surveys. Faith is the result of a decision about Christ. I cannot make a new me or a new you, but Christ can make you new and me new, as well, if we decide for Him. ~Frank Harrington



On Our Calendar

Jan. 02- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice
Jan. 03 7:00 p.m. /CWF
Jan. 04 -10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group
Jan. 07 – 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
Jan. 08 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Homeless Matters
4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Youth
Jan. 09 - 9:00 a.m. – Prayer Group
10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice
Jan. 11 - 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
Jan. 12 - Service for Rose Cummings
Jan. 09 –9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Jan. 14 – 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Exercise Group
Jan. 15 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Homeless Matters
4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Youth
Jan. 16 - - 9:00 a.m. – Prayer Group
10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group
5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

New Caller

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